concerned in the detection and prevention of smuggling.

End-use of Scam Money

4335. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an inter-disciplinary expert group appointed by Government to probe the end-use of money deployed in the securities scam has recently come to the conclusion that it would involve a laborious process to trace the end-use of scam money; and

(b) if so, whether any report has been submitted by the expert group to Government; if so, the details of the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b): The Inter-Disciplinary Group has not completed its deliberations and submitted its final report.

Smuggling of Foodgrains, Cattle etc. along Indo-Bangladesh Border

4336. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:
SHRI JANARDAN YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents of smuggling of rice and other food articles detected in the border districts of West Bengal with Bangladesh in 1993 and 1994 together with the quantity of items seized;

(b) the number of incidents of smuggling of cattle detected and number of animals involved; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the population living in the border districts of Bangladesh have been facing difficulty due to high prices of foodgrains because of smuggling; if so, what remedial steps have been taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY: (a) and (b): As per available reports in Ministry of Finance following is the number of incidents of smuggling of rice and other foodgrains and cattle detected with details thereof in the border district of West Bengal with Bangladesh in 1993 and 1994:—

No. of incidents detected in respect of smuggling of Rice and other Foodgrains and details thereof:

Year	Agency	No. of cases	Quantity (in Kgs.)
1993	Customs	30	1,24,069
	BSF	1630	29,45,925
1994	Customs	93	1,82,440
	BSF	3023	56,50,853

No. of incidents detected in respect of smuggling of cattle and details thereof:

Year	Agency	No. of cases	No. of Cattle
1993	Customs	156	912
	BSF	4970	23531
1994	Customs	165	1444
	BSF	4387	23465

(c) No statistics regarding impact of smuggling on prices of foodgrains is available. Anti Smuggling agencies of the Government are alert to prevent and detect smuggling including smuggling of foodgrains and cattle.

Impact of Budget on Industries

4337. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether representatives of various Chambers of Industry met him during last week of March, 1995 to brief budget impact on industry; and

(b) if so, the detail of concrete suggestions received from them and the extent to which their suggestions were accepted/implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY: (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Rehabilitation schemes by BIFR

4338. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1101 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st March, 1995 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to support BIFR in discharging of its functions by removing difficulties faced by the Board, particularly half-hearted approach to the revival schemes of the sick companies on the part of the promoters;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government have received a number of suggestions for strengthening BIFR so that rehabilitation schemes of the sick companies are implemented quickly;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether Government propose to make mandatory on the part of the promoters to support the revival schemes sanctioned by BIFR?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (d) Section 19(3) of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (SICA) provides that once a scheme has been sanctioned by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) for revival of a sick industrial company, it is binding on all concerned, including the promoters. Section 33 of SICA vests sufficient powers with BIFR to deal with cases of violation of any sanctioned scheme.

(b) and (c) The Government had appointed in 1993 a Committee on Industrial Sickness and Corporate Restructuring under the chairmanship of Dr. Omkar Goswami which has, inter alia, recommended amendment of SICA to allow for early detection of sickness and restructuring of BIFR into fast track facilitator. The recommenda-